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MAIL STOP PATENT APPLICATION

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Re:

Application of KUMAKI, TERUTOSHI, and ARAKAWA, TSUTOMU

VINYL CHLORIDE RESIN COMPOSITION

Assignee: SHOWA DENKO K.K.

Our Ref: Q78857

Dear Sir:

This is a request for a Divisional Application of pending prior Application No. 10/110,976, (Confirmation No. 6309) filed April 18, 2002, of KUMAKI, TERUTOSHI, and ARAKAWA, TSUTOMU entitled VINYL CHLORIDE RESIN COMPOSITION, which is a National Stage Application of PCT/JP01/07083 filed August 17, 2001.

This application is being filed under 37 C.F.R. § 1.53(b). Enclosed is a specification (16 pages), including the claims and abstract, and a copy of the Declaration (3 pages) as filed in the prior application. Also enclosed is an Information Disclosure Statement, and a PTO/SB/08 A & B (modified) form listing references cited by applicant and/or the examiner during prosecution of the prior application.

The prior application is assigned to Group Art Unit 1711.

The entire disclosure of parent Application No. 10/110,976, filed April 18, 2002, is considered a part of the disclosure of the accompanying divisional application and is hereby incorporated by reference.

Priority/benefit is claimed from:

Country	Application No	Filing Date	
JAPAN	P2000-249414	August 21, 2000	
US	60/300.851	June 27, 2001	

A copy of the certified copy of the priority document was received in parent Application No. 10/110,976 from the International Bureau, and a sworn translation of Provisional Application No. 60/300,851 was filed in the provisional application.

The Government filing fee is calculated as follows:

Total claims	8 - 20	=	X	\$18.00 =	\$.00
Independent claims	1 - 3	=	x	\$86.00 =	\$.00
Base Fee					\$770.00

TOTAL FILING FEE

\$770.00



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A check for the statutory fee of \$770.00 is attached. The USPTO is directed and authorized to charge all required fees, except for the Issue Fee and the Publication Fee, to Deposit Account No. 19-4880. Please also credit any overpayments to said Deposit Account. A duplicate copy of this transmittal letter is attached.

The application is timely filed.

Respectfully submitted,

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